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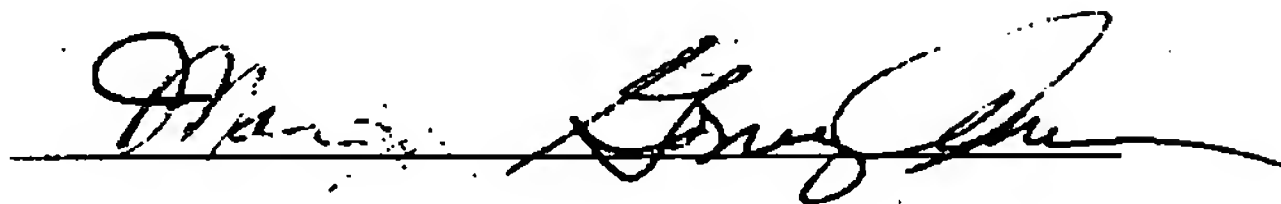
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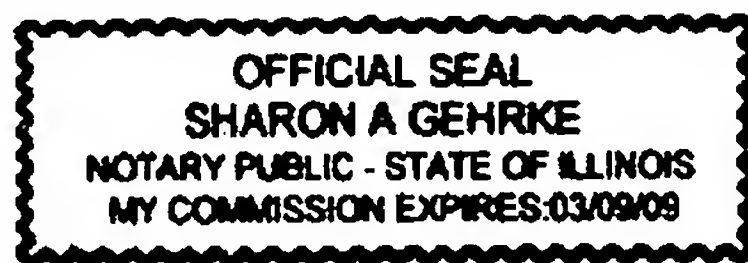
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PATENT APPLICATION OF
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**FOR: TUBULAR STRUCTURE FOR
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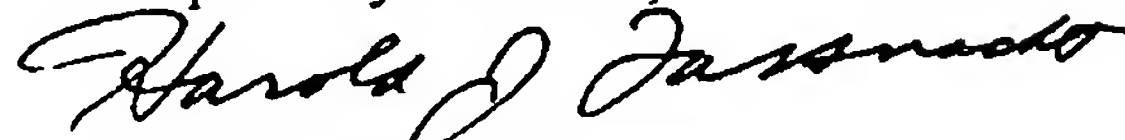
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The undersigned attorney-of-record requests a telephonic interview with the Examiner at the Examiner's convenience to discuss the § 102 rejections in the above-identified application. It is expected that a brief interview would clarify certain issues and expedite the examination of this application. The inventor may participate in the interview, although this has not been decided. The primary issues to be discussed are:

1. Whether amending claim 1 to include the material of construction - paperboard - would traverse the 102 rejection based on the Ashley reference which discloses a bent metal base.
2. Whether amending claim 1 to specify that the base provides product cushioning would traverse the 102 rejection.
3. Whether Ashley's "pockets" (62 or 38) could accommodate vertical posts as required by applicant's claim 2.
4. Whether Ashley's "holes" (64 or 46) could receive product feet as required by applicant's claim 3.
5. Whether amending applicant's claim to specify that the base pad is disposable would distinguish the invention from Ashley.

There has not been an interview with respect to this application. Since time is of the essence, Applicant and his attorney would welcome a response to this request by telephone, email or fax to the undersigned.

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